OLD ENGLAND:
OR,
The NATIONAL GAZETTE.

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THO' the Sun of *Britiſh* Glory in it's Meridian ſhone more intenſely ſplendid in the third *Edward*'s Reign, than can be ſaid of that Luminary in the preſent; — tho' we have not in War beheld a Prince of *Wales* dreadfully-awful; — tho' new *Creſſies, Poictiers*, grace not theſe latter Annals: — Yet to the firſt with Juſtice may it be ſaid, That the ſame Sun hath, in our Days, diffuſed it's mid-day Effulgence, tho' leſs torrid, yet more tolerable to Humanity, and it's Evening-Ray far more equal and more permanent; — to the ſecond, That we have all in Peace (a Truth as ſacred and univerſal as our unanimous Senſe of it ſhould be grateful and eternal) experienced the ineffably-kind Prince, Patern of Liberality, Father of Orphans, Husband of Widows, and the great Patron of Science and of Arts; — laſtly, with the ſame Juſtice let us add, That tho' we have not ſeen revived a *Creſſy* or a *Poitier*, tho' Reſtraints of Policy (perhaps cruel Policy) withheld martial Virtue inactive in the Abodes of Peace, yet was it under the Auſpice of the Patriot Prince, that we ſaw Commerce flouriſh, ſaw a Fountain of Wealth open, and the *Britiſh* Fiſhery riſing to opulent Maturity.

In this general Affliction for the Loſs of ſuch a Prince, let us but turn our Eyes backward, and by way of Relief, compare the unhappier Condition of our Anceſtors, in ſuch a melancholy Criſis, with our own. In order to this, let us take two Views of the long Reign of *Edward* the Third, when arrived to it's higheſt Stretch of Grandeur, and in it's laſt adverſe Fortune. The Battle of *Creſſy*, tho' the perſonal Atchievement of the immortal Son, was the Effect of the Father's Conduct, and ſeems the brighteſt Gem in all the vaſt Crown of *Edward*'s Glories. We ſhall therefore feaſt our Attention awhile to contemplate this Field of *Britiſh* Honour, whatever Impropriety may be alledged againſt us by a certain Mortal as deſtitute of Taſte as of Good-nature, who no doubt will be ready to tell us a bare Recapitulation of that and other Victories will be amply ſufficient, without dwelling on a tedious Narration (for ſuch he will call it) of impertinent Particulars. But let this Critic know, that we would not waſte our Time in Impoſſibility, we would not attempt his Amuſement. I can't help imagining a Crowd of *Britons* ſympathiſing in my Weakneſs, who will excuſe a ſmall Fault in the Dreſſing for the Enjoyment of ſo rich a Repaſt, who will readily take a little Circuit to behold a Proſpect ſo replete with Delight. Let us view it then in the animated Courtray of an Artiſt, no leſs famous for deſcribing, than his Heroes were for fighting, Battles.

After obſerving the Temerity of the *French* who were drawn up 100,000 in three Columns, oppoſ'd to 30,000 *Engliſh* in the ſame Order*) and their Confidence of Victory before they began the Attack, the Hiſtorian proceeds, "Very different was the Countenance of the *Engliſh*: They reſerved all their Fire for the Moment of Action; and, without moving from their Ranks, diſcovered an Intrepidity far more dreadful than the boaſtful Forwardneſs of their Enemies. The Archers under the Prince of *Wales* were drawn up in an oblong Square, ſo that they delivered their Arrows very cloſe, and were leſs liable to be ſurrounded. They were the Flower of the *Engliſh* Infantry, as the *Genoeſe* were of the *French*. But their Bows, Strings and Arrows, were ſecured by Covers which kept them dry; while thoſe of the *Genoeſe* were expoſed to a heavy Rain which fell at the Moment of Attack, and rendered their Bow-ſtrings uſeleſs. Thus were they the inactive Marks of the *Engliſh* Archers, who gauled them with ſo much Fury, that they fell back upon the ſecond Line commanded by the Earl of *Alenſon*. This occaſioned a prodigious diſorder, & the Earl called out to his Horſe, *To charge the Enemy over the Bellies of thoſe* Genoeſe *Traitors*. But juſt at this Inſtant, the Prince of *Wales* ordered ſome Battalions of Guards to advance, and charge them ſo critically, that both the firſt and ſecond Line of the *French* were put into irretrievable Diſorder. At laſt, with infinite Difficulty, having opened their ranks, and thereby got rid of the flying *Genoeſe*, the *French* Cavalry made a circuit, and flanked the great Battalion of *Engliſh* Archers. Here the Battle was bloody and obſtinate. The Earl of *Alenſon* had with him the Earls of *Flanders*, *Blois*, with the Duke of *Lorrain*, and the Dauphin of *Vienna*. They found, by their Situation and the Wheel they had made, that it was impoſſible for *Phillip* [*the French King, who commanded the Rear*] to ſupport them, without expoſing his whole Army to certain deſtruction; but their Numbers and innate Confidence made them deſpiſe all Reſource but in their Swords. The brave Prince of *Wales*, with like Sentiments but inferior Numbers, now met an Occaſion which ſtruck forth all the hidden Fire of his Youth. He taught the moſt experienced there their Duty, and he led the moſt forward into Danger. He explored every Poſt in the Field; all were ſupplied by his Diligence, or defended by his Courage; and, if he was not more than Man, he did what ſeemed to ſurpaſs human Strength. The Earls of *Arundel* and *Northampton* upon this, ſeeing the *French* not only ſuperior in number, but fighting as if determined to conquer or die, ordered a Body of Troops under their Command to file off to the Prince's Aſſiſtance. Theſe fell upon the Rear of the Enemy, and gave the Prince, who was engaged among the braveſt of the *French* Squadrons in the Front, ſome Relief; but afterwards had almoſt proved his Ruin: For *Phillip*, by that Motion of the *Engliſh*, found himſelf at Liberty to pour in a freſh Body of Troops to his Brother's Aſſiſtance, who flanked the Archers with ſuch Fury, that they were obliged to open their Ranks, and thus expoſe the Prince to the Danger of being ſurrounded. In this doubtful State of the Battle, the Earl of *Warwick* diſpatched a Knight to acquaint *Edward* of his Son's Danger. The Meſſenger found him coolly ſurveying the Battle from a Windmill on an Eminence where his diviſion was drawn up. He delivered his Orders; but *Edward*'s Anſwer was, "Is my Son dead? Is he wounded? Is he overthrown?" No. "Then (continued the Monarch) I know my Boy's Spirit, I know his Capacity. Begone; Tell him, I expect he will this Day win his Spurs; and that he ſhall not be beholden even to his own Father for any Share in the Glory of the Field." This Anſwer was delivered in the Prince's Hearing; and, like the Breath of Heaven, it ſeemed to re-animate his Courage, and reſtore his Force. Every Man about him, by his Example redoubled his former efforts. In vain were the *French* ſupplied with freſh Numbers; in vain did their Impetuoſity endeavour to break the againſt-compacted Phalanx of the *Engliſh*. Kings, Princes, Peers, Generals, and common Soldiers, ſhared a promiſcuous Fate in promiſcuous Carnage. Lances, Spears, Arrows and Swords, were commixed with one another; military Caſks were blended with Imperial Plumes; and here the moſt preſumptuous were inſtructed in that humiliating Leſſon of Mortality, that there is no Diſtinction in Death. For the younger *Edward*, like a deſtroying Angel, ſeemed to carry Fate upon his Sword; and *Phillip*, advancing with his Diviſion, the Labours of the Field increaſed, and with them the Spirit of the *Engliſh*. *Phillip* was not wanting either to his high Birth, or Reputation as a General: At the Head of his beſt Troops, he plunged into the hotteſt of the Battle, where the Earls of *Arundel* and *Northampton* had now joined their whole Forces with the Prince of *Wales*; and then came the dreadful Tug for Victory. But the Prince and his Generals ever pointing their Swords at the moſt conſpicuous of their Adverſaries, whom they never failed to bring to the Ground, the *French* began to be diſcouraged; and their King being forced to retire wounded out of the Field, after loſing two Horſes, completed their rout."

This and a few ſucceeding Victories, for awhile placed *Edward*'s Fortunes on the moſt conſummate Baſis of human Enjoyment. But look we forward in the ſame Draught of Hiſtory, not 30 Years; and we ſhall ſtill ſee the ſalutary Mediocrity, preferable to the rapid Flood, of Succeſs. A Mind long inured to Proſperity becomes infatuated in Adverſity. Such was the Caſe of the great Prince under Conſideration: When, thro' Inaction, his Affairs became diſtracted; when he ſaw his Intereſt, thro' the involuntary Abſence of his ſick Son, decline in *Franee*; and laſtly, when, on the Death of that Son, he had loſt the Prop of his grey Honours, — *Edward*, alas! ſuch is the ſad Viciſſitude of Humanity! *Edward*, no longer the ſame *Edward* at whoſe Name all *Europe* once bowed, now ſunk into the baſe Arms of Lewdneſs, and endeavoured to drown Reflection in Concupiſcence; now ſtrove to hide himſelf from himſelf, and too ſucceſsfully ſucceeded!

Caprice and Effeminacy, Venality and Scorn, now became Inhabitants of *Edward's* Court: How unlike thoſe of late! — Diſcontent, Murmurings, real Grievances, prevailed among the People. They loved the King, but they hated his mercenary Flatterers. Add to this, there was an unpopular Duke, whoſe Inſolence increaſed the Tide of Clamour, but whoſe ſubſequent Behaviour was amply expiatory of former Miſconduct. Laſt of all, the public Safety, after the Death of *Edward*, the People knew reſted on a Minor, who might be ſwayed juſt as Deſign and Craft ſhould direct: But Matters were come to that dreadful Paſs under the degenerate Monarch, that his Life or Death were indeed equally indifferent in their Choice. They were not of the old Sybil's Mind, who pray'd for the Life of a Tyrant for fear a worſe might ſucceed: They thought, they could not be worſe governed by a Minor, ſuppoſing that Minor entirely at the Devotion of his Uncle, the Duke aforementioned, a Man the moſt noxious to them of any; I ſay, the People dreaded no Reign more than that of *Edward*'s rapacious Miſtreſs, who if Hiſtory is to be believed, had too great a Hand in the Adminiſtration, if not of Government itſelf, at leaſt of what is the Life and Soul of Government, the public Treaſure.

To cloſe the laſt gloomy Scene of *Edward*'s Life, let us borrow the Words of the ſame Writer, who juſt gave us *Creſſy* Fight: "He (*Edward*) fell into a Diſeaſe called the *Gingle*, a kind of *St. Anthony's Fire*, which encloſes the Body like a Belt, and this ended in a Fever which brought him to his End. His infamous Attendants had all along flattered him with the Hopes of a ſpeedy Recovery, and he had neglected making thoſe Preparations that were ſuitable for a dying man. *Alice Pearce* (his Miſtreſs) watched with care the laſt parting of his ſoul from his body; and, finding him in the Agony of Death, ſhe ſtripped him of his Rings and Jewels, and left the Court. In this condition, not quite a Corſe, lay the mighty *Edward*, without the Hand of a Friend to cloſe his Eyes, without the Care of a Domeſtic to cover his Nakedneſs. A Prieſt, leſs hardened than the reſt, approached his bed, and, finding him ſtill breathing, put him in Mind to ask Mercy for his Sins in that laſt dreadful Struggle of Nature. *Edward* had juſt time to give a faint Signal of Contrition, and expired

* *The Prince of* Wales *commanded the firſt, the Earls of* Arundel *and* Northampton *the ſecond, and* Edward *himſelf the laſt, Line, which does not appear to have engaged at all. See* Guthrie's *Hiſtory vol.* 2, p. 158.

with the Name of *Jeſus* in his Mouth." Thus forſaken died the third *Edward*, at once an Example of human Greatneſs and human Pravity!

Having gone thro' what I intended, aſſiſted by the Lights of Hiſtory; let every Man, aſſiſted by thoſe of his own Obſervation, look on the counter Part of the Compariſon. Let him reflect on *Dettingen*, let him canvaſs that Feat of martial Honour, and be juſt to the royal Victor. Let him now obſerve the affectionate Care of that common Father, inſtilling Precepts into the infant Heir that muſt, if diſcloſed into future Practice, make his Subjects happy. A *brave* and *honeſt* Monarch will rule a *free* and *faithful* People. Let every *Briton* think of this, and rejoice that his own Times riſe higher as they grow later in the Compariſon; and that as *Dettingen* may not perhaps ſtand in the ſame Rank of Atchievement with *Creſſy*, ſo we are all certain the latter Reign of *Edward* is by no means an Emblem of the preſent. But while we ſee our gracious Monarch watchful in our Preſervation, while we find him providing for the public Safety, when Time ſhall deprive theſe Nations of the fatherly Sceptre of the preſent Day, let us not be wanting in our Returns of filial Loyalty and Gratitude: Let us all in the Sincerity of Devotion pray, that far hence be removed that mournful Period, long, long after Minority ſhall have ripened into Manhood, and at laſt yield we only to Almighty Diſpenſation!

*** *Our Correſpondents* of the Town *ſhall be anſwered in due Time.*

LONDON.

Yeſterday ſe'nnight the Duke of Newcaſtle acquainted the Houſe of Lords, and the Chancellor of the Exchequer the Houſe of Commons, that he had a Meſſage from his Majeſty, which was read by the Lord Chancellor, and is as follows.

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HIS Majeſty having entirely at Heart to ſecure the future Welfare and Happineſs of his People, has maturely conſidered, that nothing can conduce ſo much (under the Protection of the Divine Providence) to the Preſervation of the Proteſtant Succeſſion in his Royal Family, and the Support of Religion, Laws, and Liberties of theſe Kingdoms (which have been always moſt dear to him) as the making proper Proviſions for the Care and Tuition of the Perſon of his Succeſſor, and for the regular Adminiſtration of the Government, in Caſe ſuch Succeſſor ſhould be of tender Years; by means whereof, their ſafety, and princely Education may be ſecured; the public Peace and good Order maintained; and the Strength and Glory of the Crown of Great Britain ſuffer no Diminution: For theſe Reaſons his Majeſty, out of his paternal Affection and Tenderneſs for his Royal Family, and for all his faithful ſubjects, earneſtly recommends it to both Houſes of Parliament, to take this weighty Affair into their moſt ſerious Deliberation; and propoſes to their Conſideration, That when the Imperial Crown of theſe Realms ſhall deſcend to any of the Iſſue of his Son, the late Prince of Wales, being under the Age of eighteen Years, the Princeſs Dowager of Wales, their Mother, ſhould be Guardian of the Perſon of ſuch Succeſſor and Regent to theſe Kingdoms, untill they ſhall attain ſuch Age; with ſuch Powers and Limitations, as ſhall appear neceſſary and expedient for theſe important Purpoſes.

To which moſt gracious Meſſage the Lords and Commons returned a moſt affectionate Addreſs, expreſſing their Hearts filled with the deepeſt Senſe of Gratitude to his Majeſty, and with moſt anxious Concern for the future Welfare of their Country.

The joint Addreſs of the Houſe of Lords and Commons was preſented to his Majeſty on Saturday laſt, attended with the following Ceremonies: His Majeſty being ſeated in the Chair of State under the Canopy, in the Great Ball Room with his Royal Highneſs the Prince of Wales ſtanding on his Right Hand, and the Duke of Cumberland on his Left, the Lord Chancellor and the ſpeaker of the Houſe of Commons, attended by ſeveral Members of both Houſes, preſented it to his Majeſty, each of them having hold of it. The Lord Chancellor read it, and when he named the Houſe of Lords, made a low Obeiſance, as did the Speaker when the Houſe of Commons was named.

To which his Majeſty was pleaſed to return this moſt gracious Anſwer:

"My Lords and Gentlemen,

"I return you my hearty Thanks for this very dutiful and affectionate Addreſs. The Zeal you expreſs for me and my Family, and the Senſe you ſhew of my Care and Concern for the Intereſt of my People, is very agreeable to me."

The Call of the Hon. Houſe of Commons is put off for a Fortnight.

Sunday his Hoyal Highneſs the Prince of Wales and Prince Edward attended his Majeſty, the Duke of Cumberland, and Princeſs Amelia, for the firſt Time, to the Chapel Royal, and heard a Sermon preached by the Rev. Dr. Chapman one of the Chaplains, and Prebend of Durham; the Sword of ſtate was carried to and from Chapel by the Earl of Pomfret.

Wedneſday the Lord Middleſex was appointed Cofferer to his Royal Highneſs the Prince of Wales's Houſhold.

William Barker, Eſq; is appointed one of the Clerks of the Prince's Houſhold.

A Commiſſion has paſſed the Great-ſeal appointing the Duke of Bedford Lord Lieutenant of the County of Devon and City of Exeter.

Tueſday a Commiſſion paſſed the Great-ſeal, appointing the Right Hon. William Earl of Coventry to be Cuſtos Rotulorum in the County of Worceſter.

The General Court to be held this Day, of the Proprietors of the Britiſh Fiſhery at Mercer's Hall, is like to be a very full one, it being the firſt ſince the Grant of their Charter for that Purpoſe; and that a new Governor will be then propoſed in Place of his Royal Highneſs the late Prince of Wales; and that a new opening of the ſubſcription will be then propoſed, at the Requeſt of ſeveral Merchants, and ſome Perſons of Diſtinction, and to continue open for one Month.

Monday a Buſs (Burthen eighty Tons) built for the Society of the Free Britiſh Fiſhery, was launch'd in the Medway, named the Cheſterfield; in Honour of the illuſtrious Nobleman who bears that Title.

Wedneſday the Lords of the Admiralty appointed Capt. Shate, Commander of the Herring Tender, to cruize off Lynn in Norfolk againſt the Smugglers, who are very numerous on that Coaſt.

And Captain Ewskine Commander of the Frederick, a 20 Gun ſhip.

A Bill is ordered into Parliament for making, widening and keeping in Repair ſeveral Roads in the Pariſhes of Lambeth, Newington, St. George's Southwark, and Bermondſey, in the County of Surry.

Monday a Writ was iſſued out for electing a Member for the Borough of Gatton in Surry, in the room of Richard Plower, deceaſed. The Election comes on next Monday, when James Colebrook, Eſq; will be choſen without Oppoſition.

An additional Duty will be laid on all ſpirituous Liquors and Licences.

We hear that Thomas Drummond, Eſq; has appealed to the Houſe of Lords as Heir to the Eſtate of the late Duke of Perth.

On Sunday laſt Thomas Corbett, Eſq; ſecretary to the Admiralty, was ſeized with a fit of Apoplexy; and continues greatly indiſpoſed.

The Executors of the late Dr. Gibſon, Biſhop of London have preſented a Copy of the Codex, with large Manuſcript Additions in the Hand Writing of that Prelate, to be depoſited in the Bodleian Library; for which they received the Thanks of the Univerſity.

A Duel was lately fought, between a Page and the Domeſtic Surgeon of a Foreign Miniſter of the higheſt Diſtinction: For the firſt Onſet, the Page was diſarmed; but the Surgeon allowing him to take up his Sword, he furiouſly renewed the Engagement, and wounded the Surgeon extremely. This Affair reaching the Lord's Ears, who has diſmiſſed the Page for his Baſeneſs to a generous Adverſary, and becauſe he was originally in the Wrong.

On Saturday was brought to Newgate, under a ſtrong Guard, being committed by Juſtice Fielding, Samuel Eager, alias Hagar, an outlawed Smuggler.

Tueſday 7-Night was committed to Norwich Jail Thomas Catchpole and John Cunningham, two outlawed Smugglers.

Thurſday when the Charity Boxes were opened at the Fondling Hoſpital, a Bank Note for Twenty Pounds was found in one of them, for the Maintenance of the Children.

All ſuch Chidren of the Foundling Hoſpital, as are capable of Works, have for above theſe two Months been employed in making Nets, for the Society of the Free Britiſh Fiſhery. In imitation of which laudable Example, we hear that the Charity Children, and the Poor of the Workhouſe of St. Andrew Holborn, are making Nets for the ſaid Society; as alſo the Charity Children of Hackney Pairſh. And it is not doubted but that the ſame will be done by the Charity Children of many other Pariſhes, this being under Conſideration. Should this National Undertaking of the Fiſhery [illegible] properly, it will greatly leſſen, if not totally [illegible] late the Poors Rate.

On Tueſday was held a Common Hall for the Election of a Chamberlain of this City, in the room of Sir John Boſworth, who has reſigned, when on holding up of Hands the Majority was declared to be for Mr. Harriſon; but a Poll was demanded for the other three Candidates, viz. Mr. Pycroft, Mr. Glover, and Mr. Hodges; which began Wedneſday Morning Nine o'Clock, but laſt Thurſday Deputy Pycroft and Deputy Hodges reſigned the Poll; and Yeſterday upon cloſing the Books, the Numbers were as follow:

For Deputy Harriſon,	1686
Mr. Glover,	1076
Majority	610

It is ſaid that on Saturday laſt died, at his Seat at Maeſylwich in the County of Radnor, Sir Richard Phry Howarth, Knight of the Shire for the ſaid County.

At Barnſtaple arrived the William, from Pilvaqua in New England, Captain Ley, by whom there is an Account of the Death of Andrew Pepperell, Eſq; only ſon of Sir William Pepperell, Bart. by whoſe Death the Title is like to be extinct.

Tueſday the Buckingham Man of War of [illegible] Guns, was launched from his Majeſty's Dock at Deptford in Preſence of the Earl of Sandwich, Lord Anſon, Sir Peter Warren, and other Perſons of Diſtinction. She is eſteemed one of the compleateſt ſhips in the Royal Navy, aud was put into Commiſſion on Wedneſday.

Laſt Saturday, Mrs. Whatmore, who formerly kept a Diſtiller's ſhop at Graveſend in Kent, [illegible] who was unfortunately drowned on the 30th of November laſt, with 16 other Perſons, in their Paſſage from Graveſend to London, was taken out of the River Thames near that Place. She had 200l. in her Pockets when loſt, none of which was found with her.

Laſt Thurſday ſe'nnight Joſeph Atkinſon, Eſq; Coroner for the County of Hertford with a Jury of twelve principal Gentlemen of that County, ſat on the Body of Mary Osborne, who on laſt Monday ſe'nnight was barbarouſly uſed and drowned in a Pond, about two Miles from Tring in that County, on Suſpicion of being a Witch as mentioned in our laſt, when the following Perſons were bought in guilty of Wilful Murder, viz. Thomas Malon, William Myatt, Richard Grice, Richard Walley, James Poudham, John Sprouting, John May, Adam, Curling, and Francis Meadows, before twenty others whoſe Names are unknown. The ſame Day James Osborne, her Husband, aged 73, died of the cruel Treatment he received at the ſame Time as a ſuppoſed Wizard, by the above ſhocking barbarous Wretches.

A married Woman is committed to Horſham Jail for murdering her new born Infant. It is thought the ſhame of being delivered too ſoon after Marriage, was the Cauſe of it, though her [illegible] Sweetheart was very urgent for that Ceremony before they gratified their Deſires.

On Sunday a Coalheaver in Newtoner's Lane, having ſome Words with his Wife, who had a young Child in her Arms, and endeavouring to ſtrike at her, unfortunately gave the Child ſuch a violent Blow that it inſtantly died. The Father is ſecured.

Laſt Saturday Night came Advice to the Cuſtom Houſe, that his Majeſty's ſloop of War, the Wasp, Capt. May, had taken a ſmuggling Veſſel from Boulogn, off Dungeneſs, laden with a large Quantity of Cambricks, French Lawns, Brandy, Tea, &c. for the uſe and Advantage of the Frenchified Part of the Engliſh Nation; the Captain took out four Perſons from the Smuggler into his own ſhip for ſafety, and manned her with his own Men for the River. It is ſaid the Capture is worth ſeveral Thouſand Pounds.

Mr. Keith perceiving by the News-Papers, it has been artfully inſinuated, that his Chapel in May-Fair is removed lower down, this is to ſatisfy the Public, that the Chapel ſet up in the Sun Tavern One Pair of Stairs, is not Mr. Keith's; but Mr. Keith's Chapel continues where it was before, namely, within Ten Yards of the Great Chapel, where the Marriages are performed by a regular Clergyman for a Guinea as uſual, with a Licence on a Five Shilling Stamp, and Certificate.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

GERMANY.

Vienna, April 13. *O. S.* By the Liſt of the Empreſs's Forces juſt publiſhed it appears, that they ac-

tually consist of 56 Regiments of Infantry, 18 of Cuiraſſiers, 13 of Dragoons, and 10 of Huſſars; beſides four Regiments of Sclavonians and one Regiment of Huſſars on the Repartitions of the County of Sirmia: Making in all about 170,000 Men.

SWEDEN.

Stockholm, April 12. *O. S.* It is worthy of Obſervation, that the Act of Aſſurance which the King ſolemnly executed upon his Acceſſion to the Thrown (to maintain the preſent Conſtitution of the Kingdom) he delivered himſelf to M. Panin, the Ruſſian Miniſter, and at the ſame Time expreſſed himſelf in the following Manner: "I hope that this Act will convince her Imperial Majeſty of all the Ruſſias, of my ſentiments towards the Swediſh Nation, and of the Deſire which I have, that they may enjoy the Sweets of Peace, by my endeavouring to maintain the moſt perfect Harmony with the Neighbouring Powers of this Kingdom, and by avoiding, in the manner I now do, to give them the leaſt Cauſe of Umbrage."

POLAND.

Warſaw, April 13. *O. S.* The News of the King of Sweden's Death, which was brought hither by an an Expreſs diſpatched to Marſhal Lowendahl, has occaſioned divers Conferences between the Grandees in this City. A Courier from Stockholm has paſſed through this Kingdom going to Conſtantinople with the ſame News. Letters from Podolia ſay, that the Crim and Budziack Tartars remain quiet for the preſent, and that none but the Haydamacks are in Motion; but it is expected the Letter will ſoon be diſperſed or extirpated, as the Regimentary of Podolia and Generals of the Ruſſian Troops in the Ukrain have concerted Meaſures for that Purpoſe.

SWITZERLAND.

Duſſeidrop, April 20. *O. S.* The Britiſh Court having lately offered ſome additional Advantages to ſuch of the Proteſtants of Switzerland as have a Mind to ſettle in Penſylvania, two Veſſels are gone down to the Rhine with a Number of thoſe Proteſtants, in order to carry them to Holland, in their Way to England.

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